Troy May 5th 1846

Dear Father

We arrived in Schenectady about ½ past Eight Saturday Morning - Lavina stood the journey first rate - I saw Victor and Francis in the Ballston Cars & stood before I started - and I arrived here about half past ten - I have been about the among the Lumber dealers some here and at Albany All Kinds of Lumber are selling here about the same prices as last season except Hot Boards are doing better now the fact they are scarce - Grant Coffin & Church are selling Hot Boards at about $13 - Sanford of Albany told me they could sell a good lot at $14 if they had them - but you cannot contract for any lumber a week a head but just now there seems to be more confidence than there was four days since - I told some of the Lumbermen what Aspalls lot could be had for but they do not want it at the price -

Our boat started back last Wednesday without any up freight - will probably be at our landing on Tuesday - Clark & Shepherds other boat has not got in yet but Clark told me last Evening he expected it in hourly and started for Schenectady to ascertain about her -

I brought a few Groceries a few pieces of factory cloth - a little ticking some batting a few pieces of Linnen stuff a few hat (Chip) to go up by Clarks

boat. And I intend to leave here for New York this
Evening. Shall probably be gone four or five days —
Flour is continually falling off and Cornmeal is selling
at $4.75 —
Daniel Masters is at home and
out well —

Yours Truly

Hiram Sherman

New York & Erie
Map & Rte